

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in this application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A gas detecting element comprising:

a hollow container;

an optical density detection window that is not gas-permeable formed on one side of said container to allow optical density detection;

a gas-permeable window formed on the opposing side of said container; and

a reagent that exhibits coloration by reaction with a gas to be measured housed in a space between said windows[.]; and

a light-reflective surface formed on the side of said gas-permeable window facing said reagent absorbent material.

2. (Original) A gas detecting element in accordance with claim 1 wherein:

said optical density detection window is constituted by affixing a transparent, non-permeable film to a frame that constitutes said container.

3. (Original) A gas detecting element in accordance with claim 1, wherein:

said optical density detection window is formed at the same time as injection molding of said container with a transparent, non-permeable material.

4. (Original) A gas detecting element in accordance with claim 1, wherein:

a reagent absorbent material impregnated with said reagent is housed in said space.

5. (Cancelled)
6. (Cancelled)
7. (Cancelled)
8. (New) A gas detecting device that employs the gas detecting element of claim 1.